

**ASSEMBLY, No. 677**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

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**SYNOPSIS**

Prohibits State Board of Education from requiring completion of performance-based assessment as condition of eligibility for certificate of eligibility with advanced standing.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 5/19/2022)

1 AN ACT concerning performance-based assessments for teacher  
2 candidates and supplementing chapter 26 of Title 18A of the  
3 New Jersey Statutes.  
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5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
6 of New Jersey:  
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8 1. a. Notwithstanding any law, rule, or regulation to the  
9 contrary, the State Board of Education shall not require a candidate  
10 for a certificate of eligibility with advanced standing to complete a  
11 Commissioner of Education approved performance-based  
12 assessment, including, but not limited to, the edTPA, as a condition  
13 of eligibility for a certificate of eligibility with advanced standing.

14 b. An educator preparation program shall not consider whether a  
15 candidate has completed a Commissioner of Education approved  
16 performance-based assessment when making a determination as to  
17 whether to recommend a candidate for certificate of eligibility with  
18 advanced standing certification to the Commissioner of Education.

19 c. As used in this section, “certificate of eligibility with  
20 advanced standing” means a certificate with lifetime validity issued  
21 by the State Board of Examiners to candidates who meet degree,  
22 academic, and test requirements for teacher certification and  
23 complete an educator preparation program.  
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25 2. This act shall take effect immediately.  
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#### 28 STATEMENT 29

30 Under current State Board of Education regulations, in order to  
31 be eligible to receive a certificate of eligibility with advanced  
32 standing (CEAS) a candidate must pass a Commissioner of  
33 Education approved performance-based assessment, currently the  
34 edTPA.

35 This bill provides that the State Board of Education is prohibited  
36 from requiring a candidate for a CEAS to complete a Commissioner  
37 of Education approved performance-based assessment in order to be  
38 eligible for CEAS certification. Additionally, the bill prohibits an  
39 educator preparation program from considering whether a candidate  
40 for a CEAS has completed a Commissioner of Education approved  
41 performance-based assessment when making a determination as to  
42 whether to recommend a candidate for CEAS certification.